..portation of coal from Talcher Coal' field by rail-cum-sea route through Paradeep Port as the most economical alternative. Until arrangements for movement of coal by rail-cum-sea route are finalised, coal would be moved from the Talchsr Coalfields to the North Madras S:ation by all rail route.

The TNE.B have earmarked two areas for inland ash disposal, one measuring 70 hectares adjacent to the site of the thermal power station and the other measuring 430 hectares located further South of the power plant: It is p-oposed by the Board to build suitable ash dyke/ bund for retaining ash.

Forum for the Grievances of Public Sector Officers

*477. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government arc \nv-are that there is no forum for the redressal of grievances of public *sector* officers;

(b) if so. what steps Government propose to take to create such a forum;

(c) whether Government propose to extend the jurisdiction of the Central Administrative Tribunal for the officers of the public sector undertakings; and

(d) if so, what are the details there of ?

THE MINlSrER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b). A model scheme for grievance redressal procedure for staff officers of the PSUs has already been evolved by the Government for adoption by ISUs with or without modification as appropriate to the enterprises concerned. The scheme also provides for setting tip of the grievance redressal committee at unit/regional level. Most of the PSUs arc having adequate mechanism for the redressal of grievances of their officers and staff.

(c) and (d) A provision has been made in the Administrative Tribunal Act, 1985 to bring PSU's/Corpora-tions/Socicties under the Central Government, within the purview of the Central Administrative Tribunal by issue of a notification under Section 14(2) of the Administrative Tri-bunal Act. The issue of such notification covering FSUs may be considered by Government as and when the Tribunal is fully equipped to take on the extra work load.

Investments in Public Sector Units

*478. SHRI JAGADISH JAN1: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be- pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any fresh investments in the public sector units ;

(b) if so, the total investments made so far during 1987-88;

(c) whether Government are tak ing steps to ensure that all fresh in vestments in the public sectcr do not go to the loss incurring enterprises; and

(d) if- so, what steps have been taken in this retard'.'